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**ST. VLADIMIR'S
UKRAINIAN
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SOBOR**

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Sunday, December 22nd, 2019

27th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**The Conception by Righteous Anna of the Most Holy
Theotokos. Prophetess Anna, mother of the Prophet Samuel.
St. Stephen the "New Light" of Constantinople (912).**

**Vespers/Confession: Saturdays 4:30 pm
3rd & 6th Hour: Sundays 9:00 am
Divine Liturgy: Sunday 9:30 am
Weekday Feasts: 10:00am**

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Tropar of Sunday

(Tone 2) When You descended to death, O Life Immortal, You destroyed Hades with the lightning of Your Divinity. And when from the depths You raised the dead, all the Powers of Heaven cried out: O Giver of Life, Christ our God, glory to You.

Tropar of St. Anna

(Tone 4) Today the bonds of barrenness are broken, God has heard Joachim and Anna. He has clearly promised them that beyond hope, they would bear a divine child, by whom the uncircumscribable One was born as a mortal Man, Who commanded the angel to cry to her:
“Hail, O full of grace, the Lord is with you!”

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

Kondak of Sunday

(Tone 2) You arose from the tomb Almighty Saviour, and Hades was terrified on beholding the wonder, and the dead arose and creation seeing this, rejoices with You, and Adam is joyful, and the world, O my Saviour, praises You forever.

Both now, and ever, and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

Prokimen – Tone 2

Reader: The Lord is my strength and my song, and He has become my salvation.

Verse: With chastisement the Lord has chastened me, but He has not given me over to death.

Reader: A second prokimenon in the **4th Tone:** Wondrous is God in His saints, the God of Israel.

Epistle

Ephesians 6:10-17

Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand therefore, having girded your waist with truth, having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace; above all, taking the shield of faith with which you will be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked one. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God;

Galatians 4:22-31

For it is written that Abraham had two sons: the one by a bondwoman, the other by a freewoman. But he who was of the bondwoman was born according to the flesh, and he of the freewoman through promise, which things are symbolic. For these are the two covenants: the one from Mount Sinai which gives birth to bondage, which is Hagar – for this Hagar is Mount Sinai in Arabia, and corresponds to Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children – but the Jerusalem above is free, which is the mother of us all. For it is written: “Rejoice, O barren, You who do not bear! Break forth and shout, You who are not in labor! For the desolate has many more children Than she who has a husband.” Now we, brethren, as Isaac was, are children of promise. But, as he who was born according to the flesh then persecuted him who was born according to the Spirit, even so it is now. Nevertheless what does the Scripture say? “Cast out the bondwoman and her son, for the son of the bondwoman shall not be heir with the son of the freewoman.” So then, brethren, we are not children of the bondwoman but of the free.

Alleluia Verses

Verse 1: Alleluia in the **2nd Tone:** May the Lord hear you in the day of affliction, may the Name of the God of Jacob defend you.

Verse 2: Lord, save the king and hearken unto us on the day we call upon You.

Verse 3: In the **1st Tone:** The salvation of the righteous is the Lord, and He is their defender in a time of affliction.

Gospel

Luke 17:12-19

Then as He entered a certain village, there met Him ten men who were lepers, who stood afar off. And they lifted up their voices and said, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" So when He saw them, He said to them, "Go, show yourselves to the priests." And so it was that as they went, they were cleansed. And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, returned, and with a loud voice glorified God, and fell down on his face at His feet, giving Him thanks. And he was a Samaritan. So Jesus answered and said, "Were there not ten cleansed? But where are the nine? Were there not any found who returned to give glory to God except this foreigner? And He said to him, "Arise, go your way. Your faith has made you well."

Luke 8:16-21

No one, when he has lit a lamp, covers it with a vessel or puts it under a bed, but sets it on a lampstand, that those who enter may see the light. For nothing is secret that will not be revealed, nor anything hidden that will not be known and come to light. Therefore take heed how you hear. For whoever has, to him more will be given; and whoever does not have, even what he seems to have will be taken from him." Then His mother and brothers came to Him, and could not approach Him because of the crowd. And it was told Him by some, who said, "Your mother and Your brothers are standing outside,

desiring to see You.” But He answered and said to them, “My mother and My brothers are these who hear the word of God and do it.”

Communion Verses

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest.
Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous; praise is meet for the upright.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

A note regarding Holy Communion

The Holy Orthodox Church understands Communion to mean that we have all things in common, sharing an identical Faith, and only those who are members of the Orthodox Church and who have prepared themselves through prayer, fasting and recent confession may participate in Holy Communion. If you have questions concerning the above, or if you would like to become a member of the Orthodox Church, please feel free to speak with Fr. Patrick.

DIVINE SERVICES

Saturday December 28th – No Great Vespers

Sunday December 29th – Divine Liturgy – 9:30 am.

Saturday January 4th – Great Vespers – 4:30 pm.

Sunday January 5th – Divine Liturgy – 9:30 am.

Monday January 6th – Compline and Divine Liturgy - 10:00 pm.

Tuesday January 7th – Nativity of Our Lord – No Service

January 8th – Synaxis of the Theotokos - Divine Liturgy - 10:00 am.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Today before the veneration of the cross we will have a one-year memorial for Anna Taczuk, mother to Maria DeGagne.

2. We are once again accepting donations for our **Nativity appeal**. The proceeds will be split for the Orphanages in Ukraine and for our Benevolent Fund.
3. You are invited to join St. Vladimir's youth and their families to visit Zoo Lights on **January 3rd, 2020**. Tickets for the youth will be purchased in advanced. Parents are kindly asked to purchase their own tickets by visiting the Calgary Zoo website. We will meet at 6:00 at the entrance of the Zoo. Please contact Kathy Sushko if you are interested in attending **before December 31st, 2019**.
4. **Tax Receipt Deadline.** It is important that your payment be received in the Cultural Centre office **no later than December 31, 2019** in order to have your donation reflect on the 2019 Income Tax Receipts.
5. Teachable Moments with Father Patrick - Sunday January 12th at 9:30 am "The meaning of Blessing with Water"
6. **January 18th** Great Blessing of Water at 5:00 pm followed by Jordan Supper at 6:30 pm.
7. **Inquirers Class / Orthodoxy 2.0** We will be looking at worship as an important expression of Holy Tradition. Identifying barriers. Worship as an expression of truth. Worship giving access to worship in heaven and the 10 features which characterize this kind of worship.
Jan 16 10:00 am - Worship (Part 1)
Jan 16 7:00 pm - Worship (Part 1)
Jan 23 10:00 am - Worship (Part 2)
Jan 23 7:00 pm - Worship (Part 2)

8. **PROPERTY MANAGER NEEDED:** Unfortunately, our property manager, elected at the AGM, is unable to fulfill the role. We need to find someone to fill this important role on parish council. The role is to manage the maintenance of our 3 properties which are the Church, hall, and manse. You would work with the maintenance committee and the hall administrator to ensure tasks are completed. You would not be expected to do the actual work. If you are able to volunteer for this role, please contact the Parish Council president Lorne Calkins.

9. At the 2019 AGM we shared the My 3% challenge to bring our congregation revenues in line with other Orthodox Churches. The challenge is to donate 3% of your income to the Church to fund programs to focus on growth. We ask that you indicate on the donation envelope that you are taking the 3% challenge by writing My 3% in the blank beside the donation amount. Remember that 50% of your donation will be returned to you as a tax credit. Thank you for considering the My 3% challenge. As of today we have received \$6,115 towards this initiative.

10. **TEACHERS WANTED** We are still seeking one more teacher and two substitutes interested in teaching Sunday School. If you are interested, please contact Joanna Calkins.

Please Note: If your birthday or anniversary does not show up on our list, please let us know and we will gladly add it so that we can acknowledge you next year.

Sunday Coffee Hour

**The following people have graciously volunteered to host
Coffee hour:**

Dec. 22nd - Olena Pavlyshyna & Tetyana Minkovska

Dec. 29th - Halyna Yaroshevsky & Iryna Hrabovych

**We thank our Coffee hosts for providing us with this
expression of Christian service and fellowship.
God Bless you!**

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

**This coming week we would like to acknowledge the
following members Birthdays:**

Joan Popowich, Kateryna Teterenko

GOD GRANT THEM MANY, MANY YEARS!